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149 schools earn New Wisconsin Promise recognition awards

High poverty schools beat the odds

MADISON—State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster named 149 New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition for the 2006-07 school year.

“New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition are devoted to creating a learning climate that helps all children succeed,” Burmaster said. “The teachers, parents, administrators, and other school staff members of these schools have a right to be proud of their efforts to close the achievement gap through consistent academic progress.”

To be recognized, schools must be eligible to receive federal Title I funding and be among the highest poverty schools in the state based on free and reduced-price school lunch data. Additionally, student achievement must be above the state average for similar schools in both reading and mathematics, based on statewide assessments, and the school must have made adequate yearly progress for the past two years.

Of schools meeting all four criteria to receive awards, 67 are elementary schools, 42 are middle/junior high schools, and 40 high schools. Fifty-six of the 2006-07 New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition received the honor last year; 21 received the award for three consecutive years; and another 16 were recognized all four years of the program. Schools will receive a recognition plaque at an Oct. 10 ceremony at the State Capitol and \$1,000 for use by the school.

“I have visited several of these award-winning schools and find them to vibrant communities that embrace the belief that every child can learn,” Burmaster said. “Educators, school board members, and civic, business and industry leaders all across the state can look to these schools as models for student engagement that ensure academic achievement and help our efforts to close the achievement gap.”

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ATTACHMENT: A list of New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition by schools within districts follows. Schools marked with an asterisk (*) received the New Wisconsin Schools of Recognition award in 2004-05. Schools marked with a double asterisk (**) have received the award for three consecutive years; those with a triple asterisk (***) received the award for four consecutive years.



New Wisconsin Promise Schools of Recognition

Abbotsford

Abbotsford Elementary *
Abbotsford Junior/Senior High *

Adams-Friendship Area

Castle Rock Elementary **
Grand Marsh Elementary

Antigo

Antigo Middle *

Appleton Area

Jefferson Elementary
Roosevelt Middle
Wilson Middle *

Ashland

Ashland Middle **
Lake Superior Intermediate **
Marengo Valley Elementary ***

Augusta

Augusta High *

Barron Area

Ridgeland Elementary *
Riverview Middle

Bayfield

Bayfield Elementary *
Bayfield Middle **

Beecher-Dunbar-Pembine

Pembine High *

Birchwood

Birchwood Elementary ***
Birchwood High ***
Birchwood Middle ***

Blair-Taylor

Blair-Taylor Elementary

Boscobel Area

Boscobel Elementary
Boscobel Junior High *
Boscobel High

Bowler

Bowler High *

Boyceville Community

Boyceville High

Bruce

Bruce High *
Bruce Middle *

Butternut

Butternut High **

Cameron

Cameron High

Cashton

Cashton High *

Chetek

Chetek Middle **

Clayton

Clayton Middle ***

Cornell

Cornell High *

Crivitz

Crivitz Middle

Cudahy

Cudahy Middle
Kosciuszko Elementary
Park View Elementary ***

Cumberland

Cumberland Middle

De Soto Area

Prairie View Elementary ***

Drummond Area

Drummond Elementary
Drummond Junior High

Eau Claire Area

Longfellow Elementary ***
North High

Elcho

Elcho High

Fond du Lac

Chegwin Elementary **

Parkside Elementary *

Gilman

Gilman High

Gilmanton

Gilmanton Junior/Senior High *

Granton Area

Granton Elementary
Granton High

Green Bay Area

Doty Elementary
Jefferson Elementary *

Greenwood

Greenwood Elementary
Greenwood High *

Hayward Community

Stone Lake Elementary ***
Hayward High *
Hayward Middle ***

Kenosha

Grant Elementary
Lincoln Middle

Kickapoo Area

Kickapoo High

La Crosse

Franklin Elementary *
Lincoln Middle *
North Woods Elementary *

La Farge

La Farge Elementary ***
La Farge Middle *

Ladysmith-Hawkins

Ladysmith Elementary **
Ladysmith Middle

Lake Holcombe

Holcombe High *

Laona

Robinson Elementary

Loyal

Loyal Elementary
Loyal Junior High *

Madison Metropolitan

Black Hawk Middle *
Cherokee Heights Middle
Leopold Elementary *
Lowell Elementary *
Sennett Middle *
Toki Middle *

Manitowoc

Washington Junior High

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Marinette Garfield Elementary Merryman Elementary *	Sharon J11 Sharon Elementary *	Waukesha Saratoga Elementary
Menasha Gegan Elementary	Shawano-Gresham Gresham Elementary ** Lincoln Elementary * Shawano Community Middle *	Wausau Horace Mann Middle *
Menomonie Area River Heights Elementary *	Sheboygan Area Farnsworth Middle *	Wausaukee Wausaukee High
Milwaukee Cooper Elementary * Garland Elementary * Hawthorne Elementary ** King High *** Milwaukee Spanish Immersion * River Trail Elementary **	Shell Lake Shell Lake Junior/Senior High *	Wautoma Area Redgranite Elementary **
Necedah Area Necedah Middle/High	Solon Springs Solon Springs School	Wautoma Area Parkside School
Neenah Hoover Elementary *	South Shore South Shore Junior/Senior High **	Wauzeka-Steuben Wauzeka High
New Auburn New Auburn Junior-Senior High *	Southwestern Wisconsin Southwestern Wisconsin High **	Webster Webster High *
North Crawford North Crawford High	Sparta Area Sparta Meadowview Middle	West Allis Jefferson Elementary Lincoln Elementary Longfellow Elementary Pershing Elementary West Milwaukee Middle
Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton Norwalk-Ontario- Wilton Elementary	Stanley-Boyd Area Stanley-Boyd Middle *	Westfield Coloma Elementary * Neshkoro Elementary ***
Oshkosh Area Merrill Middle ** North High Webster Stanley Elementary *** Webster Stanley Middle **	Stevens Point Area Jefferson School for the Arts Madison Elementary McKinley Center	Weston Weston Middle
Owen-Withee Owen-Withee Elementary * Owen-Withee Junior High ** Owen-Withee High **	Superior Lake Superior Elementary *	Weyerhaeuser Area Weyerhaeuser High ***
Pepin Area Pepin High *	Thorp Thorp Elementary ** Thorp High	White Lake White Lake Elementary *
Rice Lake Area Jefferson Elementary *	Tigerton Tigerton High	Wild Rose Wild Rose High
River Ridge River Ridge Middle *	Tri-County Area Tri-County High	Winter Winter Elementary ***
Seneca Seneca Junior High * Seneca High **	Turtle Lake Turtle Lake Elementary *	Wonewoc-Union Center Wonewoc Elementary Wonewoc Junior High *
	Two Rivers Koenig Elementary **	
	Washburn DuPont Middle *	

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